

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appln. No. : 10/809,259 Confirmation No.: 6912  
Applicants : Karen A. SHEPPARD *et al.*  
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TC/A.U. : 1773  
Title : Improved Lamination Grade Coextruded Heat-Sealable Film  
Examiner : Sheeba AHMED  
Docket No. : 10236A  
Customer No. : 23455

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Examiner:

In reply to the Final Office Action of 12 December 2007, which sets a statutory shortened period for reply until 12 March 2008, Applicants respectfully submit this Amendment and Reply ("Reply") under Section 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. In as much as this Reply is filed prior to expiration of the period for reply, it should be deemed as filed timely. In the event any additional extension of time is required to maintain the pendency of the application, this is an express request for any such required extension of time and an authorization to charge any required fee, including but not limited to extension fees, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1712. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification:** None.

**Amendments to the Drawings:** None.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.